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In re Application of:

PEDRO S. DE SOUZA ET AL.

Serial No. 09/844,847

Filed: 27 APRIL 2001

For: **OPTIMIZATION USING A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL DATA MODEL**

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§ Examiner:
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§ Art Unit: 2162
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§ Confirmation No.: 2784
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The indication in the Notice of Allowance mailed 5 December 2005 that Claims 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 13, 15, 17-19, 23, 24, 26-28, 30-32, and 36 of the subject Application, have been allowed, is noted with appreciation. However, the Applicants would like to comment on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

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REMARKS:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, the Applicants respectfully issue a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. The Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, the Applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations, or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION:

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1. This Transmittal with Certificate of Mailing;
2. Part B of Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85, including a Deposit Account Authorization (in duplicate);
3. Change of Correspondence Address Form PTO/SB/122;
4. Fee Address Indication Form PTO/SB/47;
5. Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance; and
6. Our return postcard which we would appreciate you date stamping and returning to us

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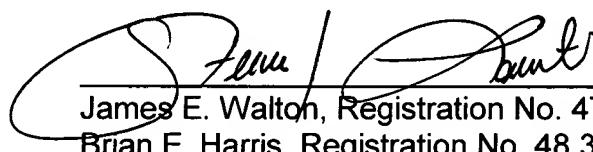
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